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significantly different from each other. Because each segment is represented by a lower and upper portion, segment level data were analyzed using half-segment resolution. This analysis showed that 16 of the analytes (primarily ICP metals) had P values less than 0.01.

The ANOVA performed on the core composite level revealed that for analytes that contributed substantially to the waste matrix (ie. > $10,000 \mu g/g$), very little variability was observed between cores. Relative standard deviations for those analytes were generally less than 10%. They were somewhat higher for analytes present in smaller quantities, but usually not exhibiting extreme variability.

A multivariate cluster analysis was performed on a set of analytes (Cl⁻, NO₂⁻, NO₃⁻, PO₄⁻³, SO₄⁻², Al, Ca, Fe, Mg, Na, Ni, P, S and U). This effort provided two results. It described qualitatively the potential spatial structure within the tank BX-109 waste by identifying similar groups of observations. It also described quantitatively each group or potential waste layer, based on the mean analyte concentration of the associated group of observations. Figure 5-1 illustrates the grouping from results of the clustering analysis. A discussion of the characteristics of each cluster and the cluster analysis approach is included in Appendix E.

In summary, based on the visual descriptions of the samples and the statistical results, the tank contents appear to consist of two distinct layers in the vertical direction (Figure 5-1). The upper layer (segment 1 and the upper half of segment 2) is higher in PO₄, NO₂, Al, and Ca, and lower in U concentration than the lower layer. This could be attributed to improvements in uranium recovery processing at U Plant, which resulted in removing more uranium in later years. Composition of the top segment would also be expected to vary due to the tank-to-tank transfers of supernatant in the later years. Very little variability was observed between cores of the composite level. More detailed results of the ANOVA and multivariate cluster analyses are included in Appendix E.

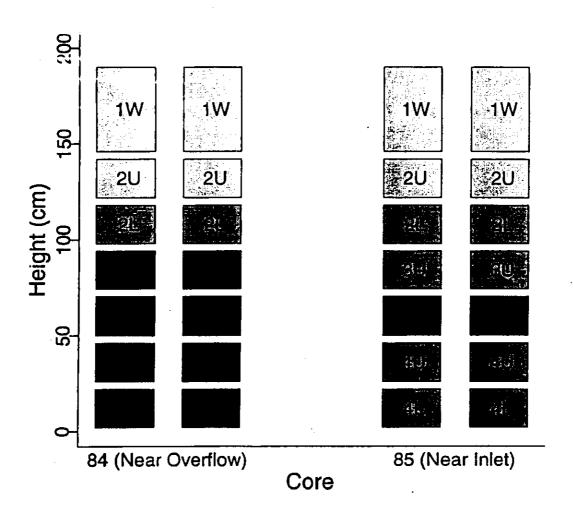
No visual indications or analytical data gathered support the presence of 1C waste in the tank. This information, coupled with the process history data, indicates that the tank contents are entirely UR waste.

5.4 COMPARISON OF TRANSFER HISTORY WITH ANALYTICAL RESULTS

The Hanford Defined Waste (HDW) estimates (Agnew 1996) and TLM estimates for tank 241-BX-109 (Agnew et al. 1996) are compared with the analytical results from the 1995 sampling event in Tables 5-4 and 5-5.

Based on historical tank transfer records, tank 241-BX-109 is expected to contain UR type waste. All historical fingerprint analytes (Na, Fe, H₂O, SO₄ and U) for segment 3 (upper half) were greater than 10% of HDW estimates for a UR waste type and passed the gateway analysis. However, the HDW values were lower than the segment analyses for several of the analytes, especially if water loss through evaporation is considered. HDW estimates were

Figure 5-1. Clustering Results for the BX-109 Cores. (Refer to color figure in Appendix E, Figure E-3)



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